(b) if so, the details of the proposal and the amount sanctioned for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) The scheme of establishment of TB Centres/TB beds is included under the State plan In the States of Andhra Pradesh, District TB Centres have been set up in all the districts. In addition, there are 26 ordinary TB Centres functioning in the State, located mostly in urban areas. The setting up of T.B. Centres is the responsibility of the State Governments.

(b) Does not arise.

Japanese encephalitis in Andhra Pradesh

392. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of doses of vaccine provided to contain the rising incidence of Japanese encephalitis in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) the amount sanctioned for the purpose so far?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) and (b) Three lakhs doses of Jananese Encephalitis Vaccine costing about Rs 36.60 lakhs, manufactured at Central Research Institute, Kasauli have been supplied to the Government of Andhra Pradesh free of cost, for use in some endemic blocks to study the efficacy of the Vaccine in field conditions and its impact during the outbreak.

393. [*Transferred to the 21st November 1988*].

Ex-servicemen rehabilitated in A.P.

394. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of ex-servicemen rehabilitated in Andhra Pradesh during 1984-85;

(b) whether there is any proposal to encourage and to give financial assistance to ex-servicemen and war widows to set up industrial units in Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) According to the information received from Director, Sainik Welfare, Andhra Pradesh, the total number of ex-servicemen rehabilitated in Andhra Pradesh during 1984—88 is 2823.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The details of Schemes in operation are given in the Statement.

Statement

To encourage and to give financial assistance to ex-servicemen, war widows to set up industrial units the following schemes are in operation in Andhra Pradesh:-

(i) *Scheme for Self-Employment of Ex-servicemen* (SEMFEX-I): This scheme has been introduced by the Directorate General of Resettlement (DGR) with the assistance of Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) on 1st April, 1987. The aim of the Scheme is to encourage and assist ex-servicemen, disabled soldiers and widows of ex-servicemen to take to self-employment ventures of small scale industries, transport etc. Loans upto Rs. 50,000 are covered under the existing composite Loan Scheme of IDBI for which no promoter's contribution is required. For projects ranging from 50,001 to 12 lakhs, promoter's contribution is limited to 10 per cent of the project cost. 15 per cent of the project cost is provided as soft seed capital assistance loan jointly by DGR and IDBI on 1 per cent interest in the nature of service charges payable annually. The balance 75 per cent is provided as term loan. The term loan is provided by the State Financial Corporation (SFC) who get refinance from IDBI.

(ii) *Scheme for Self-Employment of Ex-Servicemen* (SEMFEX-II): This scheme has been introduced from 15th January 1988 with the help of the National

Bank of Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD). The main objective of the scheme is to create a channel for ex-servicemen, disabled soldiers and widows to get loan expeditiously to undertake agriculture and allied activities as also specified non-farm activities in the village, tiny, cottage and small scale industries sector. For deserving cases in non-farm sector, NABARD will provide margin money as a soft loan. The loans are to be sanctioned by Scheduled Banks, Land Development Banks or Regional Rural Banks, depending on the type of scheme, with refinance from NABARD. The maximum project of non-farm activity eligible for loan under this scheme is Rs. 5 lakhs.

(iii) *Interest Subsidy*: Ex-servicemen are given subsidy on the rate of interest on bank loans for self employment ventures including small scale industries for a period of three years For loans upto Rs. 5000/- the rate of interest payable by ex-servicemen entrepreneur is 4 per cent per annum whereas for loans from Rs. 5001/- to Rs. 50,000/- the rate of interest is 7 per cent per annum. The same rate of interest applies to the loans upto Rs. 1 lakh taken by Ex-servicemen Cooperative Societies. This interest subsidy is given by the Zila Sainik Board/Rajya Sainik Board out of their Welfare Funds.

(iv) *Price Subsidy*: To encourage ex-servicemen to set up small scale industries, Central Government provides 10 per cent price subsidy subject to a maximum monetary limit of Rs 50,000/- in a year for a duration of 5 years on the value of any item manufactured by them and purchased by the Ministry of Defence/Inter-Service organisations on rate contract basis or any other approved method adopted by the purchase organisation.

(v) *PEXSEM (Preparing Ex-Servicemen for Self-Employment)*: To impart training to retired Defence personnel to prepare them for self employment close to their homes in rural areas, PEXSEM Scheme has been introduced in selected districts, with the cost shared equally by Centre and the State Governments from 1-4-1986. This is followed by loans from commercial banks to set up the Self-employment venture. Subsidy at 33-1/3 per cent subject to a limit of Rs. 3000 is given under the scheme upto a loan limit of Rs. 25,000/-.

PEXSEM Scheme is in operation in the following 3 districts of Andhra Pradesh:-

(1) Visakhapatnam

(2) Guntur

(3) Chittoor

Payment of allowances to service personnel

395. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that payment of allowances due to service-personnel of "other ranks" take inordinately long period and particularly the arrears of such cases with PAO (OR) Roorkee is very heavy;

(b) if so, what is the number accumulated cases as on 31-10-1988 in the PAO (OR) Roorkee; and

(c) what steps are being taken to ensure expeditious clearance of the payments due to the army personnel?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) The Service personnel below the rank of Commissioned officers are paid their salaries as monthly advances by the respective units. As such there is no delay in actual payment to the Service personnel. The documents received by the Pay and Accounts Office after payment has been made, are used for preparing the accounts in respect of each individual. The documents received after 30th April, 1988 are presently being adjusted by Pay and Accounts Office (ORs), Roorkee.

(b) As on 31-10-1988, 1.88 lakhs items received on or after 1-5-88 are pending adjustment in the accounts.